



## Calendar of Events

June – December 2006

Please remember that this is a preliminary 2006 calendar. **Events will be added, some may be cancelled and details may change.** Please call the monument for more details closer to the event date or to volunteer to assist with programs at (563) 873-3491.

June - September	<b>Guided Bird Walks</b>	Departing from the visitor center, one guided bird walk will be held each month at 8:00 a.m. on June 10 <sup>th</sup> , July 15 <sup>th</sup> , August 12 <sup>th</sup> and September 23 <sup>rd</sup> .
June – October	<b>Chautauqua Series</b>	Visitor center, Friday or Saturday evenings, 7:00 p.m. The traditional 19 <sup>th</sup> century Chautauqua made it possible for scholars to interact with the public in an open, accessible forum. <i>Call after June 12, 2006 for specific information on dates and topics.</i>
June – September	<b>Weekend Cultural Demonstration Programs</b>	Special cultural demonstration programs will be scheduled during the day on select Saturday's throughout the summer. Topics will relate to archeology and American Indian culture – including traditional Dance, flintknapping and spear throwing (atlatl). Programs will be presented at the Visitor Center.
	<b>Saturday, June 24</b> <b>Saturday, July 15</b> <b>Saturday, August 12</b> <b>Saturday, September 23</b>	<b>Featured performers:</b> 2:00 PM - <b>Chloris Lowe</b> , Native American Culture 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM - <b>Brian Hammill</b> , Native American Culture 1:00 PM - <b>Jerry Cochrane</b> , Native American Culture Special cultural programs to be announced.
June 17 to Sept. 4	<b>Ranger Programs</b>	Daily hikes, walks and talks that discuss the mounds history and nature at <b>11:00 AM and 2:00 PM.</b>  New this year, in addition to our regular public hikes, we will be offering Junior Ranger Saturdays. <b>Each Saturday at 10:00 AM</b> the park will host a special Junior Ranger hike or activity which can then be followed up on one's own by completing the Junior Ranger activity guidebook, signing out a Discovery Pack, or attending one of the other park programs.  <b><i>Please call after June 17 for information concerning special periodic hikes and talks that will be posted throughout the summer.</i></b>
July 8	<b>Moonlight Hike</b>	Presented annually, these popular activities can include walks along the Yellow River Bridge Boardwalk Trail and hikes the along the Fire Point Trail to the top of the bluff. Effigy mound building culture, the impact of the historic settlement period and moonlit views of the Mississippi and Yellow River Valleys are featured. <b><i>Call after June 17, 2006 for specific information on topics.</i></b>  <b><i>* Moonlight Hike reservations are required and will be taken beginning on the preceding Monday for each date (July 3<sup>rd</sup>) Call the visitor center for reservations 563- 873-3491.</i></b>

August 25	<b>Founders Day</b>	<b>Fee Free Day!</b> To celebrate the 90 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the National Park Service, August 25, 1916. <b>No entrance fees will be charged.</b>
Sept. / October	<b>Iowa Archaeology Month</b>	<i>Every month is Archeology Month at Effigy Mounds!</i> However, special programs are scheduled during the annual recognition of Iowa's archaeological past. <b>Call after September 5<sup>th</sup> for specific dates and events.</b>
September 23 & 24	<b>HawkWatch</b>	<b>Celebrate the annual fall migration!</b> Live raptor demonstrations, adult educational programs, children's activities, and hawk banding (catch and release). Programs and activities from <b>10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.</b>
September 30	<b>National Public Lands Day</b>	<b><u>Fee Free Day</u></b> The National Park Service will join other agencies for a fee free day in celebration of National Public Lands Day.  Volunteers across the country celebrate National Public Lands Day by assisting with <b>conservation projects</b> on their favorite public lands. Call monument's visitor center after August 1, 2006 for details.
October 7	<b>Moonlight Hike</b>	See description under July 8th. <b><u>Moonlight Hike reservations are required and will be taken beginning on the preceding Monday (October 2<sup>nd</sup>).</u></b> Call the visitor center for reservations at 563- 873-3491.
November	<b>Native American History Month</b>	<i>Every month is Native American History Month at Effigy Mounds National Monument!</i> Visit the park to learn about Ancient American Indians and their legacy.
December 2	<b>Holiday Open House</b>	<b>Visitor Center:</b> Refreshments, Bookstore items 10% off.



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